

How will annexation affect OUR STREET ADDRESSES?

Would our street address change with annexation?

The Renton City Council approved an ordinance in August 2006 so that **newly annexed areas will retain their current addresses**, except for certain areas in the East Renton Plateau west of 160th Ave. SE, north of Maple Valley Highway, and south of May Valley Road.

The City's policy has historically been to have a uniform address standard to help with consistent response for police and fire services. The City previously imposed a system for naming streets in which avenues that run north and south are named after cities and towns in Washington, and streets that run east and west are numbered, and all streets are given directional prefixes or suffixes with downtown Renton as the center point.

The City of Renton heard concerns from residents who would have been forced to change their addresses to conform with the City's new street names if annexed. This requirement was cited as an inconvenience and reason not to annex into the City. The ordinance approved in August provides that:

- Newly annexed areas will retain their current addresses, except those areas in the East Renton Plateau west of 160th Ave SE, north of Maple Valley Highway, and south of May Valley Road.
- Addresses in the East Renton Plateau west of 160th Ave SE, north of Maple Valley Highway, and south of May Valley Road will be readdressed according to the adopted street naming system.
- SE May Valley Road would retain its name and numbering system, and the portion of the roadway known as NE 31st St. will be restored to its original numbering system and name.
- 156th Ave SE will be renamed Vantage Blvd NE south of NE 4th St, Vantage Pl NE north of NE 4th St, and Vantage Ct SE south of SE 142nd Pl.
- Vantage Blvd will continue to the Maple Valley Highway along SE 142nd Pl (between 154th Ave SE and 156th Ave SE) and 154th Pl SE.
- Vesta Ave NE will be returned to its original name and numbering system (156th Avenue SE), until such time that all segments of 156th Ave SE north of SE 136th St./ NE 2nd Ct are annexed into the City of Renton.

In the event of a street name change, the Planning/Building/Public Works staff is responsible for notifying all property owners, utilities, the U.S. Postmaster, police, fire, and emergency services of the changes.